

TIME AND THE RANI SERIES 7D 4 X 25 MINUTES

Sylvester McCoy makes his début as the seventh Doctor. His physical regeneration is triggered when the TARDIS encounters violent turbulence and is torn out of space, to crash-land on the rocky, desolate world of Lakertya.

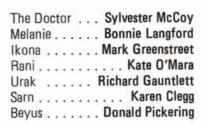
Unknown to the Doctor and Melanie, they have been brought to Lakertya by an old enemy, the Rani — an evil, renegade Time Lord whose ruthless pursuit of pure science takes no account of the value of life. She dominates the world with the aid of her henchmen, the Tetraps, and some

lethal high tech weapons. The Tetraps are among the weirdest adversaries the Doctor has ever encountered. They are large, aggressive, bat-like aliens with a 360° field of vision and an insatiable thirst for blood plasma. The Rani's weapons include explosive rotating spheres which

seal themselves around the unlucky victims like unbreakable bubbles.

To the Rani, the planet Lakertya is just a large laboratory for pursuing her experiments. The native Lakertyans are placid, reptilian humanoids whose only wish is for an uneventful existence. But if their hopes for a quiet life were upset by the Rani, they are shattered permanently when the Doctor arrives and the battle begins.

The Rani has been kidnapping geniuses out of time to use in her experiment. But when she tries to add the Doctor to her collection she makes her first mistake. Deep in the Rani's dragon-carved citadel, the Doctor wakes from a fog of amnesia. He must fight his way out of her deceptions and deathtraps to a final apocalyptic confrontation, with the life of an entire planet at stake.



Director Andrew Morgan Producer John Nathan-Turner 4 x 25 minutes Programme AELT027R



SYLVESTER McCOY AS THE DOCTOR AND MARK GREENSTREET AS IKONA



PARADISE TOWERS SERIES 7E 4 X 25 MINUTES

The Doctor and Mel set off for the futuristic high-rise resort planet of Paradise Towers in search of a well-earned rest. Originally planned as the ultimate in leisure living, Paradise Towers is a giant colony of exotic skyscrapers, crowned with a luxury swimming pool. But on arrival, the Doctor and Mel discover that the Tower society is anything but paradise — it has become a squalid, garbage-strewn, rat-infested urban nightmare, populated by a bizarre society at war with itself.

The Kangs are gangs of young girls, post-holocaust punk nymphets armed with cross bows, fighting among themselves and running wild in the concrete corridors of Paradise Towers. They spray the walls with strange graffiti, the cave paintings of a futuristic Stone Age.

Cleaning up these 'Wall Scrawls' and hunting down the Wall Scrawlers are the Caretakers, ruthless bureaucrats who live and die — and kill — by the Rule Book.

Caught between the Kangs and the Caretakers, but more ruthless than either are the Rezzies, the residents of this skyscraper society. These apparently sweet, harmless old ladies have been forced by hard

times to look for unusual alternative sources of nutrition. And they would very much like to invite Mel for tea.

As well as these human menaces, there is the homicidal behaviour of the Mark 7 Megapodic robot cleaning machines, and the question of what exactly is lurking in the basement. Entering this divided and dangerous world, the Doctor sets out to solve the mystery of the Towers. Why has Paradise turned into a living hell?



BONNIE LANGFORD AS MEL, SYLVESTER McCOY AS THE DOCTOR, ANNABEL YURESHA AS BIN LINER AND JULIE BRENNAN AS FIRE ESCAPE

> Director Nicholas Mallett Producer John Nathan-Turner 4 x 25 minutes Programme AELT043X



DELTA AND THE BANNERMEN SERIES 7F 3 X 25 MINUTES

When the TARDIS lands beside a galactic toll booth, the Doctor and Mel think their worst problem will be failing to find the right change.



(Centre) DON HENDERSON AS GAVROK

Unfortunately for them, Toll Port G179 is the launching point for Nostalgia Tours, an alien travel company organizing vacations through time and space for extra-terrestrials. In this case, the destination is planet Earth, the year 1959, and the tourists Navarinos — large bulbous purple creatures (transformed before departure to look like human beings in suitable period dress).

As the Toll Port's ten billionth customers, the Doctor and Melanie are awarded a free place on the trip. The trouble starts when a beautiful alien called Delta stows away on the tour cruiser. Delta is the last of the

Chimeron royal line and the only survivor of her race, which was exterminated following a final battle with their natural enemies, the militaristic Bannermen.

After a technical hitch or two, the Doctor and Mel land in Wales in 1959 with the party of space tourists, expecting that there will be nothing worse waiting for them than bobby sox and 1950s music. But the Bannerman warfleet, under the leadership of Gavrok, is only a few hours behind — Delta is the only surviving witness to their act of genocide, and they will not rest until she is dead.

Somehow among the blue

suede shoes, red guitars, alien bounty-hunters and bizarre life cycles the Doctor must survive and see that justice is done.

The Doctor ... Sylvester McCoy
Melanie ... Bonnie Langford
Gavrok ... Don Henderson
Goronwy ... Hugh Lloyd
Tollmaster ... Ken Dodd
Weismuller ... Stubby Kaye
Hawk ... Morgan Deare

Director Chris Clough Producer John Nathan-Turner 3 x 25 minutes Programme AELT065S



DRAGONFIRE Series 7G 3 x 25 minutes

The 150th *Doctor Who* adventure features Kane, a galactic criminal who has been exiled to the barren world of Svartos.



LESLIE MEADOWS AS THE CREATURE, SYLVESTER McCOY AS THE DOCTOR, BONNIE LANGFORD AS MEL, TONY SELBY AS GLITZ AND SOPHIE ALDRED AS ACE

Kane now runs Iceworld, a space trading colony on Svartos. Iceworld is a huge galactic freezer centre, selling food and supplies to space travellers. The permanently frozen dark side of Svartos is an ideal location for Kane, but even the eerie dark snow-covered passage ways of Iceworld are too warm for him. A native of the planet Proamon, Kane has a body temperature of minus 193° Celsius. Like Dracula seeking his coffin at day-break, Kane must periodically return to a freezing unit and lie dormant in it until his body temperature is restored.

When the Doctor and Melanie arrive on Svartos, they receive

a very cool reception from Kane. For 3,000 years he has been plotting his return — and his revenge. Now his army of cryogenically frozen mercenaries is almost ready. All Kane needs before he returns home is the mysterious treasure called the Dragonfire. And all he needs to find the Dragonfire is a band of adventurers brave enough and curious enough to penetrate into the dark frozen depths of Iceworld, in search of a treasure guarded by a monster.

Kane finds four unwitting volunteers in the Doctor, Melanie, Glitz (the shady interstellar hood) and Ace, a rebellious teenage waitress they have picked up on

their travels. Ace is an amateur explosives expert from 1987 London, who was transported through time and space when one of her experiments went wildly wrong. And when Melanie leaves the Doctor at the end of the story, Ace becomes his new companion.

The Doctor ... Sylvester McCoy
Melanie ... Bonnie Langford
Kracauer ... Tony Osoba
Kane ... Edward Peel
Glitz ... Tony Selby
Ace ... Sophie Aldred

Director Chris Clough Producer John Nathan-Turner 3 x 25 minutes Programme AELT074P